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This communication is submitted in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 20, 1999. Reconsideration of the above captioned application in view of the remarks to follow is respectfully requested.

## <u>Remarks</u>

In the subject Final Office Action, claims 1-4, 6-11. 13-25, 29 and 30 were rejected. Claims 1-3, 19-21, 24 and 29 were rejected under 35 USC §102(e) as being anticipated by Merriman (USP 5948061) or Angies (USP 5933811). Claims 4, 6-11, 13-18, 22-23, 25 and 30 were rejected under 35 USC §103 in view of Merriman, Gabber

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